

## ATC-20/Post Disaster Safety Assessment Program (SAP) Evaluator Training

[provides 7.0 HSW Continuing Education Units to AIA Members]

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## intro

Throughout the world, natural disasters are happening more often. There is also a new potential disaster – terrorism. And equally important, large and complex structures and infrastructures are being placed in disaster-prone areas. All this results in additional burdens for federal, state and local governments with regards to the safety of these structures after a disaster has struck. The Safety Assessment Program (SAP) provides resources (volunteers and mutual aid) to local governments, assisting them with the evaluation of facilities (buildings, infrastructures) in the aftermath of a disastrous event. SAP's goal is to help local government perform accurate facility safety assessments as quickly as possible.

## seminar

The curriculum has been developed by the State of California Office of Emergency Services (OES – www.oes.ca.gov).

The course will offer a comprehensive view of control and supervision in a post disaster environment. Practical examples of field conditions impacting structural safety will be given. Assessment criteria to evaluate the degree of severity of building damage are discussed. Posting/barricading procedures and the set-up/operation of a post disaster incident command center are also explained. Mutual aide and emergency procedures developed in conjunction with OES are presented. *In order to become a registered SAP evaluator, you must: Be professionally registered engineers, professionally licensed architects, certified building officials or inspectors + have a general knowledge of construction, professional experience and judgment.* Qualified attendees will be issued OES-approved Response Inspection Cards good for five years. These cards are required to participate during an emergency call-out.

## process

- Professional organizations train evaluators to perform facility evaluations for all types of disasters (earthquakes, floods, landslides, terrorism, etc.)
- Authority to do inspections is derived from local government and is not usurped by the State
- Evaluators can be deputized as local building officials to post placards (green, yellow or red) on facilities
- All resources are designated as Disaster Service Workers (DSWs)
- California law provides workers' compensation and liability protection to volunteers while they are deployed by the state to perform SAP duties
- This process is not intended to identify or quantify damaged facilities, but to evaluate their potential for safe use

Fri. November 17<sup>th</sup> / 8:00 am – 4:30 pm @ AIA Los Angeles (3780 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 800 LA, CA 90010)

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☐ AIA MEMBERS   \$75 + \$50 materials fee for required ATC-20 + Training Manual (\$125)
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note: lunch will not be provided, please bring with you or there will be time allotted to break for lunch